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1. Herbert Kortum, Oscar Bihlmaier and other ex-Zeiss specialists in the USSR will return to Jena in the near future.¹ Specific dates for their departure from the USSR are not yet known.

2. Approximately half of the German group formerly at Post Box 26, Kuybyshev, and recently transferred to Ostashkov was scheduled to leave Ostashkov about 12 November 1953 and was expected to arrive in Germany in early December 1953. The following Germans are expected to be included in the transport: Albert Beck², (fnu) Falke³, Heinz Helbig, (fnu) Hertel⁴, Werner Kirschner⁵, Dipl. Ing. Alex Pawlowitsch, (fnu) Walther⁶, and Horst Weckwert. Some of the remainder of the Kuybyshev group was being transferred to Kimry to spend additional time in the USSR.

3. In addition to the scientists who had been transferred from Kuybyshev to Ostashkov, the transport is to include ex-Zeiss specialists transferred from Krasnogorsk to Ostashkov, and four unidentified groups from installations with various post box numbers.

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Comments.

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2. Available records do not list an Albert Beck as having been transported to the USSR. There was a Dr. Werner Beck at Kuybyshev but he returned to Germany in April 1953.

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3. probably Erich Falke.

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4. No German by the name of Hertel has been previously reported to have been at Kuybyshev.

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5. Werner Kirschner reportedly returned to Germany in January 1952.
6. No German by the name of Walther has previously been reported at Kuybyshev.
[redacted] possibly [redacted] Heinz or Willie Walter, who
were last identified at Kuybyshev.

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